

Sovereign Grace Church

February 25th, 2024

We gather together Sunday mornings at 10 a.m. and Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m.

Nursery available for 4 years old and younger

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(Zephaniah 3:17)

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THE Apostle Paul tells the church of Thessalonica, "Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first." This is when those who are truly of the Lord will be made manifest, those who belong to the Lord will not turn away, for the Lord Jesus Christ said that He keeps them, He protects them, and they cannot turn away, and no one can snatch them from His hand, even amidst this apostasy, while others may fall away from their faith, the true believer cannot fall away from their faith, they simply cannot, I am certain of this. Paul said, "But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul," that is the foremost concern of the believer, keeping his eyes fixed on Jesus. He knows where to look, not here on earth, but to Christ, to Jesus Christ, "the author and finisher of our faith" [AMEN!]

Elio Chay

Welcome

SINNERS are welcome at Sovereign Grace Church. We are a local body of the Lord Jesus Christ. As you spend time with us, you'll soon discover we're an imperfect church, with an imperfect pastor, yet by God's *undeserved* grace, we preach, believe, and know the perfect gospel of our never failing Lord Jesus Christ. Reader, we call His name Jesus for He shall (not might, not maybe) rather He shall save His people from their sins. And beloved believing sinner you already know it! You are *complete in Him*, saved to the *uttermost* [Colossians 2:10, Hebrews 7:25].

Announcements

Sovereign Grace Church, New Caney / Grace Conference

Elio Chay, Pastor of Seguidores de Cristo, Dzidzantun, Mexico Friday, February 23rd @ 7:30 pm,

Saturday, February 25ra @ 7:50 pm, Saturday, February 24th @ 11 am, Sunday, February 25th @ 11 am

Resources

VISIT our website for gospel articles, live messages, and resources.

Grace Articles

Who Is Christ?

"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins." (Matthew 1:21)

Who is Christ? Christ is the Holy Son of God. You see, He is the Messiah, the promised One, the One God said would come to save His people. That is Christ. What has Christ done? He died on the cross at Calvary, because God the Father decreed that He had to die on the cross at Calvary. Why did He suffer for His people?—He did so, for the sins of His people. Where is Christ today? Where is He? He is seated at the right hand of God the Father. He finished His work, it is accomplished, He completed His work and now He is seated in the glory of the Father, *triumphant*, *victorious*, and all those who are in the Lord are *victorious*. And Him being there, He does not need to open His lips to intercede for His people,—rather, by His merely entering there He interceded for His people forever. What a blessing, is it not? How beautiful is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, and what it teaches us. [AMEN!]

— Elio Chay

"This Day Is Salvation Come"

"...This day is salvation come to this house..."

(Luke 19:9)

T HIS day is salvation come to this house... What beautiful words! To be heard by the ears of a sinner, from the very lips of the Lord Jesus Christ, to hear Him say, "This day is salvation come to this house"—this day, not tomorrow. This day—it has come. The Lord first told that sinner, ".. to day I must abide at thy house." He first told him that—and then He says, "This day is salvation come to this house" This day it has come. He told him, "make haste, and come down; for to day I must abide at thy house." And that sinner, he had a present need, and he came down. And now we see then that the Lord Jesus Christ now declares the truth to him, and He says, "This day is salvation come to this house"-Christ Jesus is already present, He-is the salvation. He-is the salvation, and He is present. Salvation is already with you. ... And it says here, "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." The Holy Son of God, that is what He came to do here on the earth, He came to seek and to save that which was lost. That was the reason He was sent, to seek and save that which was lost. We were lost in our first father Adam. And we were saved in the second Adam, who is Christ Jesus our Lord. He is the Saviour—He's a victorious Savior. And He goes ahead of His people, giving victory to His people. Saving us, taking care of us, protecting us at every moment [1 Peter 1:5, Jude 1:1].

Elio Chay

Salvation by the grace of God

"For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed."

(Malachi 3:6)

S ALVATION by the grace of God to sinners through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ is the only message of the Bible. God has not changed, God is the same yesterday, today, and forever. The believer in Christ is free to enter heaven itself before the throne of God through Jesus Christ. "Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which He hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, His flesh; And having an high priest over the house of God; Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for He is faithful that promised;)" (Hebrews 10:19-23)

Cody Groover

Taken from the Spanish gospel tract 'The Religion that comes from God'

He will rest in His love

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P AUSE, my soul, over this most gracious account. Jesus not only saves, not only pardons, but He doth it as God, as Jesus. It is His joy, His delight, His pleasure, to do so. As He saith in another scripture, "Yea, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will plant them in this land assuredly with my whole heart and with my whole soul." (Jeremiah 32:41). And as the poor timid believer, from feeling such coldness and deadness, as at times he doth in himself feel, is but too easily prevailed upon by the enemy, and by his own unbelieving heart, to suppose the same of Jesus: that he might not give way to this temptation, the Lord adds, "He will rest in His love:"—will abide in it unmoved, and without change; for, as He saith in another scripture, "the LORD, the God of Israel, saith that he hateth putting away" (Malachi 2:16). Oh! what a multitude of sweet things are folded up in this verse! Jesus rejoiceth over His people; yea, Jesus joys over them with singing: How often have I seen, in some lovely evening, like the present, that sweet bird of the air, called the skylark, mount aloft from her nest, still looking at her young as she ascends; and when advanced to her height, warbling in the most delightful notes over her brood; until at length, with all the rapidity of love, she darts down to cover, to feed, and to protect them! Thus, but in an infinitely higher degree, doth Jesus joy over His children with singing, resting in His love; and is ever near, ever mighty to defend, to bless, to keep, and to make happy, those who rest in His strength; while He rests in His love, being their God, and they His people. [AMEN!]

Robert Hawker